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SUBJ: BACHIR GEMAYEL TRIES TO ENLIST AMERICAN LEBANESE
LEAGUE SUPPORT

1. BEIRUT PRESS FEBRUARY 13 REPORTS THAT, ACCORDING TO PHALANGE SOURCES, AMERICAN LEBANESE LEAGUE, CURRENTLY MEETING IN DETROIT, HAS ADDRESSED TELEGRAMS TO PRESIDENT CARTER, SECRETARY OF STATE VANCE, MEMBERS OF CONGRESS, LEBANESE PRESIDENT ELIAS SARKIS AND BACHIR GEMAYEL CALLING FOR "AN IMMEDIATE INITIATIVE AIMED AT RESTORING THE UNITY, INDEPENDENCE AND SOVEREIGNTY OF THE LEBANESE STATE . . . THE SOVEREIGNTY OF LEBANON IS A VITAL ELEMENT FOR THE INTERESTS OF THE UNITED STATES. . . " REPORTS ALSO SAY THAT BACHIR SENT GREETINGS TO THE LEAGUE THANKING IT FOR ITS EFFORTS "DEPLOYED TO ORGANIZE THE ACTIVITIES OF THE LEBANESE EMIGRANTS."

2. SINCE HIS TOUR OF THE U.S. IN NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 1977, BACHIR HAS SOUGHT TO PROJECT HIMSELF IN BEIRUT AS A MOBILIZER OF LEBANESE-AMERICAN OPINION IN SUPPORT OF THE LEBANESE OR LEBANESE-CHRISTIAN CAUSE, AND TO GIVE THE IMPRESSION THAT HE ENJOYS WIDESPREAD
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SUPPORT AMONG LEBANESE-AMERICANS. THIS IS PARTICULARLY RELEVANT IN CURRENT SITUATION FOLLOWING FAYYADIYAH INCIDENTS AND BACHIR'S CONTINUING HARD LINE HOSTILE TO THE SYRIANS.

3. WE WOULD APPRECIATE WHATEVER INFORMATION DEPARTMENT CAN PROVIDE ABOUT ATTITUDES AND ACTIVITIES OF AMERICAN-

LEBANESE LEAGUE AND OTHER LEBANESE-AMERICAN GROUPS
TOWARDS CURRENT SITUATION IN LEBANON AND BACHIR'S ROLE
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